

#### State of Washington

## DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND WILDLIFE

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# **DETERMINATION OF NONSIGNIFICANCE (DNS)**

Name of Proposal: CRESCENT LAKE CULVERT REPLACEMENT

# **Description of Proposal:**

This project will improve and restore fish passage in Crescent Lake by modifying two road crossings used to access the Crescent Lake Wildlife Area. The first crossing (Site 1) will have a potentially impassable 36 inch culvert removed and replaced with a 20 foot arch culvert that is fish passable. At Site 2, the road crossing built through Crescent Lake will be decommissioned to allow unobstructed water flow across this site. Decommissioning will involve removing a 150 foot portion of the road bed and also an existing culvert to bring the elevation down to a point low enough to allow water to flow freely across and restore wetland functions.

# **Proponent/Applicant:**

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**Location of Proposal, including street, if any:** The proposed project site is within the Snoqualmie Wildlife Area, Crescent Lake Unit. The site is reached by turning south off of the Highway 2 at Monroe and proceeding through town on Highway 203 for approximately 3.3 miles before turning onto  $203^{rd}$  Street. Proceed on  $203^{rd}$  approximately .5 miles to the end of the road where it meets Crescent Lake Road. Site 1 is approximately .5 miles to the right, and site 2 is .2 mile to the left. This project is located in Snohomish County, Section 23, Township 27 North, Range 6 East.WM

**Lead Agency:** Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife (WDFW)

WDFW has determined that this proposal will likely not have a significant adverse impact on the environment. Therefore, state law<sup>1</sup> does not require an environmental impact statement (EIS). WDFW made this determination of nonsignificance (DNS) after we reviewed the environmental checklist and other information on file with us.

We issued this DNS according to state rules.<sup>2</sup> We will **not act on this proposal for 14 days** from the date we issued the DNS. Agencies, affected tribes, and members of the public are invited to comment on this proposal or DNS. We must receive your comments within 14 days of the date of this letter. This means we must receive your comments by **February 12, 2010** 

You can submit your comments by email to SEPAdesk2@dfw.wa.gov, through the WDFW

SEPA website comment link at <a href="http://www.wdfw.wa.gov/hab/sepa/sepa.htm">http://www.wdfw.wa.gov/hab/sepa/sepa.htm</a>, fax to (360) 902-2946, or mail to the address below. When you send us your comments, please provide the name of the proposal in your comment letter.

**Responsible Official:** Teresa A. Eturaspe

Position/Title: SEPA/NEPA Coordinator, WDFW Regulatory Services Section

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After the comment period closes, applicants may view the updated status of this proposal on the WDFW SEPA website: <a href="http://www.wdfw.wa.gov/hab/sepa/sepa.htm">http://www.wdfw.wa.gov/hab/sepa/sepa.htm</a>. Once the status is posted as final, applicants and permittees may take action on the proposal. When a proposal is modified or withdrawn, notice will be given in accordance with state law.\(^1\)

If you have questions about this DNS or the details of the proposal, contact Teresa Eturaspe at the address, e-mail, or fax number above; you can also call her at (360) 902-2575.

DATE OF ISSUE: 1/29/2010 SIGNATURE: Yessa A. Clurage

Footnotes

1. RCW 43.21C.030(2)(c)

2. WAC 197-11-340(2).

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